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## PROTECTIVE, ORTHOTIC INSERT FOR FOOTWEAR

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**PROTECTIVE ORTHOTIC INSERT FOR FOOTWEAR**  
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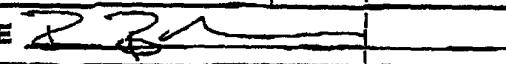
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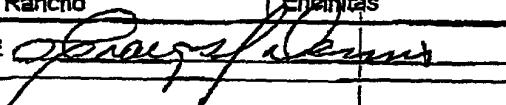
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